

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q82106

Masayuki MACHIDA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/500,251

Group Art Unit: 1656

Confirmation No.: 8931

Examiner: Jae W. LEE

Filed: October 29, 2004

For: PYROGLUTAMYL PEPTIDASE AND GENE THEREOF

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the Election of Species Requirement, dated August 23, 2007.

In response to the Examiner's requirement, Applicant elects SEQ ID NO.:5 for examination on which claims 2, 3, 7-14 and 25 are readable.

Applicant submits that if any of the elected claims is found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to the non-elected claims.

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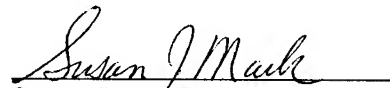
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